

House Resolution 677

By: Representative Powell of the 29th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Franklin County 4-H Horsemanship Team; and for other
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Franklin County 4-H Horsemanship Team was formed in 2000 by Marie,
4 Joel, and Lisa Cole in order to provide a forum for young people in Franklin, Hart, and
5 Madison Counties to share their enthusiasm and knowledge of horsemanship; and

6 WHEREAS, the Franklin County 4-H Mounted Drill Teams have competed annually at the
7 Southeastern Regional Drill Team Competition at the Georgia Horse Fair against teams from
8 all over the Southeastern United States, winning a number of first place titles over the years,
9 including being named champions in every class in 2005; and

10 WHEREAS, riders perform a variety of challenging choreographed patterns set to music, and
11 the Franklin teams are known throughout the state for their spectacular horse riding routines
12 performed at the Franklin County FFA Rodeo, the Greeson Memorial Rodeo, the IPRA
13 Rodeo at Clemson University, the SRA Rodeo, and at charity events throughout the
14 community; and

15 WHEREAS, the Franklin County 4-H organizes the annual "Jodi Torez Memorial St. Jude
16 Horse Show," named in honor of a former drill team member, Jodi Torez, who passed away
17 tragically in a car accident in 2004, raising more than \$2,000 for St. Jude Children's Hospital
18 each year; and

19 WHEREAS, the current roster of Franklin County 4-H Horsemanship Team is composed of
20 the following outstanding riders: Lisa Cole, Sonya Parker, Heather Dowell, Sophie Cook,
21 Halley Cheek, Michaela Carey, Angel Graham, and Michaela Bennett; and

22 WHEREAS, as these young women have demonstrated an exemplary dedication to their
23 sport and to their communities, it is fitting and proper to commend them on this occasion.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body recognize the Franklin County 4-H Horsemanship Team, commend
3 their many amazing accomplishments, and extend to them their sincerest best wishes for the
4 future.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Franklin County 4-H
7 Horsemanship Team.